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In re PATENT APPLICATION of

Applicant :	Liming LOU)	INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND CERTIFICATION
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Sir:

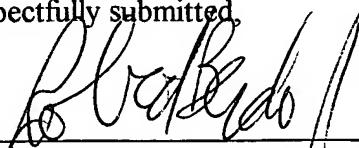
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Attached is a copy of one WIPO publication, which was cited in a European Search Report mailed on March 10, 2004, that was issued in connection with a foreign counterpart application. Also attached is a Form PTO-1449 listing the publication and two U.S. patents, which were also cited in the aforementioned Search Report.

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